

The Worship of God

July 28, 2013

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Eleven O'Clock

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. We encourage you to use this time for meditation and reflection. Please refrain from conversation which would disturb others. Following the service, greet our visitors and share your friendship with those around you. Wireless hearing aids are available in the narthex.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

ORGAN PRELUDE: Variations on *The Old Hundredth*

Denis Bédard

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

ORGAN MEDITATION: Aria, Opus 51

Flor Peeters

CHORAL ADORATION

William Byrd

Non nobis, Domine

Not unto us, O Lord,

non nobis,

not to us,

sed nomini tu o da gloriam,

but unto thy name be the glory.

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 22: “All Creatures of Our God and King” LASST UNS ERFREUEN
(The congregation rises as the organist begins the hymn.)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: It is good to be here because God is here, lovingly blessing us as we gather.

People: Let everyone give thanks, calling upon God’s name and publishing the good news.

Minister: It is good to be here because Christ is here whenever two or three meet in his name.

People: Sing to God, sing psalms, tell of all his remarkable doings.

Minister: It is good to be here because the Spirit is here, leading us into the only truth that really matters.

People: We will seek the Lord and his strength, we will seek God’s face evermore.

Bruce Prewer

* THE GLORIA PATRI 35

GREATOREX

* THE INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL ADORATION: "Peace"

PEACE TO ZION/arr. Kevin Siegfried

Peace unto Zion. Peace to the faithful, and a crown of rejoicing from your Heavenly Father. When Zion shall be cleansed she shall flourish as a rose. I will walk in her midst and will bless all those with a tenfold blessing. And their sorrows shall cease, for I'll cry upon her walls. Peace, sweet, peace.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of light and life, we know that much of our witness lies in revealing Christ through the ways we love and care for one another. Forgive us if there is no evidence in us of the One who is to come. Remind us that the light of Christ shines through people like us who claim to follow him. Cleanse our hearts and minds of all that hinders us from loving you and loving our neighbor. May our lives radiate faith active in love through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MEDITATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:

Psalms 27

ANTHEM: “O How Amiable”

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts! My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God. Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee. The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us. Prosper thou our handiwork. O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 61: “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

ROYAL OAK

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

ORGAN OFFERTORY: Chorale, Opus 37, Number 4

Joseph Jongen

* THE DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

This morning we give thanks for our Lakeside’s Youth who are a vital part of our congregation and who challenge us all to explore and live out our faith with creativity and energy. The Acolyte brings forward a t-shirt from last week’s Urban Adventure to New York and places it on the altar.

PROCLAMATION

ANTHEM: “Look at the World”

John Rutter

Look at the world, ev’rything all around us: look at the world, and marvel ev’ry day.

Look at the world: so many joys and wonders, so many miracles along our way.

Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation, give us thankful hearts, that we may see:

All the gifts we share, and every blessing, all things come of thee.

Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower; look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;

look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains, valley and flowing river, field and plain.

Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer bringing the harvest before the winter’s cold.

Ev’rything grows, ev’rything has a season, till it is gathered to the Father’s fold;

Ev’ry good gift, all that we need and cherish comes from the Lord in token of his love;

We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty; His is the earth and His the Heav’ns above;

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Revelation 21:1-2, 9-21

SERMON: “Absolutely Beautiful!”

Dr. Daniel Day

AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We confess that Jesus is the Christ, Son of the living God, Savior of the world. By his grace, we have all been received back to the Father as children of God, and we rejoice in the kinship we share with believers the world over. We celebrate the new life that is ours, and we accept our call to share the Gospel through word and deed, beginning at home and extending to all people everywhere.

THE CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 234: “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA

(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN

* ORGAN POSTLUDE: Variations on *The Old Hundredth*

Denis Bédard

* Congregation stands.

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Carol and Andy Barker by a friend.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Jody C. Wright
Senior Minister
Michael Waters
Acolyte
Dr. J. Daniel Day
Guest Preacher

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister
Mark Gansor
Organist

Amy Shortt
Minister of Music
Jacob Watkins
Crucifer
Timothy Belk
Guest Organist

*Children's worship aids are available in the narthex.
Bibles and Wireless Hearing Aids are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex.
Childcare is available in the Preschool Building.*

The paraments on the altar and pulpit, along with the ministers' stoles provide us with visual cues about the meaning of our faith. The color of the season is green, a reminder of the life of the church and the growth of each believer. The triangle and trefoil are symbols of the Trinity, reminding us that God is revealed to us as Father, Son, and Spirit. In the center is the cross, the key symbol of the Christian faith, summarizing the life and ministry, death and resurrection, incarnation and coming in glory of Jesus the Christ. The Acolyte brings light to the altar as a reminder of Christ, the Light of life, and leads us out of the sanctuary as a reminder that we are to take this light to the world. In the same way, we begin and end our worship following the cross as a symbol of God's self-giving love for us all.

WE WELCOME OUR PULPIT GUEST

We welcome Dr. Daniel Day to Lakeside's pulpit. Dr. Day, a graduate of Oklahoma Baptist University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, is pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church of Raleigh, having previously served as pastor of churches in Oklahoma, Louisiana, Texas, and Missouri. For the past five years he has taught as Associate Professor of Christian Preaching & Worship at Campbell University Divinity School. Next month Nurturing Faith, Inc. will publish his work, *Seeking the Face of God: Evangelical Worship Reconceived*. He is married and the father of twin sons, both of whom are ordained clergy.

WE WELCOME OUR GUEST ORGANIST

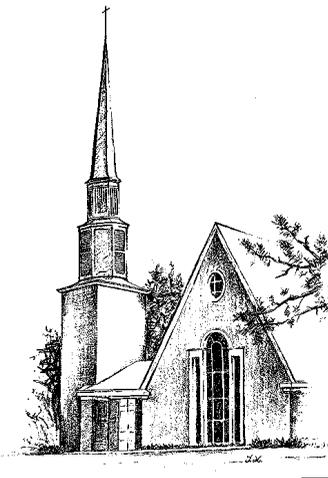
We welcome Timothy Belk as our guest organist. Mr. Belk is the Director of Music Ministries and Organist at First Presbyterian Church in Gastonia, North Carolina. He holds B.M. and M.M. degrees in organ performance from the North Carolina School of the Arts in Winston-Salem and serves on the Executive Board of the American Guild of Organists Charlotte Chapter. He has also consulted more than 140 organ projects, acoustical enhancements and has led church music workshops throughout the southeast.

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS

We welcome our guests and would like for you to know more about Lakeside Church and its ministry. Members of Lakeside are persons on a journey of faith. Our church seeks to be a worshipping and serving community where the gospel of Jesus Christ is modeled and proclaimed.

Our church is Baptist by tradition and heritage, but in our worship and practice we seek to move beyond the label of a denomination to incorporate the richness of other Christian traditions. In our community service we support many ecumenical ministries that convey God's love beyond the lines of any denomination.

We receive members by affirmation of their faith or by transfer from other Christian churches. We honor the previous baptism of persons coming to Lakeside from other Christian denominations. If you are interested in knowing more about our church and its ministries, please fill out a guest card or speak to one of the ministers or members.



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Lakeside*

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